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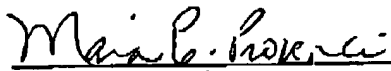
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 5, 2006**

Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated September 5, 2006, please re-examine and reconsider the above-identified application according to the amendments and remarks provided in this paper.

An **Information Disclosure Statement** and the appropriate fees, are filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.